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Easter Day

"Sharing God's Unconditional Love"



everything
[in] between
grief & hope

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Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

We are one of the parishes that make up The Diocese of Ohio and are part of the Episcopal Church of the United States of America. We are also part of the worldwide Anglican Communion and at the head of the Anglican Communion is the Archbishop of Canterbury.

St. Andrew's is made up of diverse people who find meaning and experience community through relationships – with God, with ourselves as we seek to know God, with each other and with the world in which we live. We are old and young, female and male, gay and straight, cis-gender and non-binary in gender identification. We are single, married, divorced, widowed, black and white across a wide socio-economic range. In fact we are like everybody. We work in our communities and invest in work around the world. We study and we ask questions as we move deeper into the mystery of God. We support one another in good times and bad, and we try to see Christ in everyone we meet.

St. Andrew's mission statement is, "Sharing God's Unconditional Love." We believe that we are participating with God in God's work in the world. We are an open and affirming, inclusive community of faith, believing that God loves everyone, no exceptions.

Since December of 2019, we have made the work of anti-racism a priority by confessing, studying, praying, advocating and in activism for racial equity and social justice. We have been described as "Traditional in pews and kneelers, ornate altar and vestments. Modern in energy, ordination of women, and respect for all people regardless of the many ways God makes us different. Common in the humble, simple way these people, place and time come together to be extraordinary."

Commitment to Racial Justice

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Elyria, Ohio recognizes that the church, as a body of Christ, has a responsibility to act on behalf of others, especially the marginalized and the oppressed. We vow in our Baptismal Covenant to "seek and serve Christ in all persons" and to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." We believe that this includes directly confronting the legacy and reality of racism, both individually and that which is systemic and institutionalized in our society. We must work to end economic, educational, employment, healthcare, housing and other injustices in our own lives, institutions, communities, and the world. To that end, we must be aware and well informed, and thereby better able to determine the actions our faith requires of us – actions that help us to practice justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God.

Visitors

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you. We want to know more about who you are and so we ask that you please complete the visitor's card (in pews or ask usher) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

Acolytes for April 20

Jolene Adkins

Ushers for April 20

Amy Kellogg/Myki Van Wormer/Bill Taylor

Eucharistic Ministers for April 20

Ben Holcomb/Harry Finkbone

Lectors for April 20

LOOKING AHEAD

April 21: Deadline for Guardians Game Tickets (Contact Amy Kellogg)

April 21 & 22: Church Office Closed

April 27, after 10:30am service: Chorister Rehearsal

April 27, at 4pm: Sundays at St. Andrew's

May 1, at 9am: Mid-Week Coffee Hour (Rubin's at Chestnut Commons in Elyria)

May 4, at 10:30am: Youth Led Worship Service

Easter Day

10:30am Festal Holy Eucharist

BCP = Red Book of Common Prayer, HYMN = Blue Hymnal 1982,
S before the Hymn # = Service music found in the front of the Hymnal 1982
LEVAS= Lift Every Voice and Sing (Red and Black Hymnal)

Prelude "Voluntary No. 4" Arlen Clarke
Processional Hymn 207 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" OneLicense

Children are invited to gather in the back of the church to process the NEW Alleluia!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn of Praise (LEVAS is black and red hymnal)

LEVAS 244 "I Will Rejoice"
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***I will rejoice, I will be glad,
I will praise God
Who holds my life in His hands.***

***I will praise the Father,
I will praise the Son.
I will praise the Spirit forever more.
I will rejoice, I will be glad,
I will praise God,
Who holds my life in His hands.***

***I will praise the Father,
each and ev'ry day
And I will sing His love songs forever more.
I will rejoice, I will be glad,
I will praise God,
Who holds my life in His hands.***

THE COLLECT FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PSALM 118:1-2,14-24

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 199 "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise The Strain"

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Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JOHN 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON
THE SERMON

Ben Holcomb
The Rev. June Hardy Dorsey

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to read the role of the intercessor as you are led. If more than one voice reads the same lines, please listen to one another and read simultaneously. The People's response is the text in bold.

Celebrant: Gracious God whose love defeated even death, hear and answer our deepest hopes and needs as you did for the women who discovered the empty tomb and hear our prayers as we say: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Your church is the Body of Christ, constituted and empowered to continue to proclaim Christ's resurrection, strengthen and embolden us to be persistent in our proclamation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Our world still falls short of the full blossoming of human potential. Open the eyes and hearts of the world's leaders to pursue peace and human thriving for all people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Help us to see the risen Christ in the world around. Guide us into the work you have given us to do so that the ministries of Jesus might continue, that the world might know his healing love through our actions. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: You have placed us in a glorious creation and charged us with its care. Grant us wisdom and a willingness to protect our environment so that future generations might know the fullness of its beauty and abundance. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Bring healing and wholeness to our lives and to all who suffer in any way. Grant that they might feel Christ's caring touch on their hurts. Especially we pray for....
(please add your own prayers aloud or in silence) Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Christ's resurrection opened for us the way to eternal life. Grant that we all may continue on Christ's pathway and enter into your eternal reign and rise again with all the saints who have gone before. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Glorious Lord, you have promised to be with us always, fulfill now your promises for us and grant our prayers as may be best of us and always in accord with your will. All this we ask through our advocate and redeemer, Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, eternally one God. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

People: And also with you.

(Please share the Peace of the Risen Lord with others around you.)

Welcome and Special Prayers *(Today we will have no spoken announcements. Please read the announcements in the bulletin to learn about current ministries.)*

All: No matter where you come from or where you're going. No matter what you believe or what you doubt. No matter what you feel or just don't feel today. No matter whom you love... You are welcome at St. Andrew's to be met by God who loves you, who knows your mind and heart, and who wants to have a relationship with you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Offertory Anthem

"Crown Him With Many Crowns" George Elvey

The Presentation of Gifts

Hymn 179 "Welcome, Happy Morning"
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HOLY COMMUNION: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself: and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.***

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal Kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing,

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your
name, your king-dom come, your will be done on
earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our
dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give
those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the
time of trial and de-liv-er us from e-vil, for the
king-dom, the pow'r and the glo-ry are yours,
now and for ev-er.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Fraction

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
 sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: The table of bread and wine is now made ready.

All: It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; You who have been here often and you who have not been for a while. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed;

Celebrant: Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

THE HOLY COMMUNION *(All are welcome to receive from God's Table)*

Communion Music

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”
 by Fraz Joseph Hayden; performed by Nandi Badat (piano)\

Hymn 180 “He Is Risen, He Is Risen!” Cecil Frances Alexander

WLP 880 *(Green Hymnal)* “Christ Our Passover” OneLicense

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

(Standing or kneeling as able)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EASTER BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. ***Amen.***

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

Amen.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. ***Amen.***

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ***Amen.***

Recessional Hymn

Hymn 195 "Jesus Lives!" Hope Publishing Co

DISMISSAL (*Children are invited to come forward to process the "Alleluia."*)

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Voluntary

On "Lasst uns erfreuen" arr. Douglas E. Wagner

Announcements

Gratitude

A heartfelt word of thanks to the Altar Guild, lectors, acolytes, usher, musicians, and all others who worked with great dedication in the Holy Week and Easter Day Services.

Easter Office Closures

The church office will be closed Monday, April 21 and Tuesday, April 22 in observance of Easter.

St. Andrew's Prayer List:Our Spiritual Leaders

Sean, our Presiding Bishop
 Anne, our Bishop
 June, our Priest
 Jane, our Deacon
 County
 Mark, our Music Director
 Joan, our Music Director, Emerita
 Ben, our Director of Youth
 And Children's Ministry

Our Friends

Christ Church, Oberlin
 Church of the Redeemer, Lorain
 Avon United Methodist Church
 Redeemer Lutheran Church, Elyria
 Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elyria
 The Original Glorious Apostolic Church
 Elyria First United Methodist Church

Our Community Partners

The Freedgedge
 A Place to Recover (P2R)
 Neighborhood Alliance
 Pet Pantry of Lorain
 Second Harvest
 Urban League

Active-Duty Military: John Able, Stephanie Bacskay, Rose Buttle, Luke Colcough, Aaron Colcough, Dylan Donnelly, Charles Kellogg, Kim Reich, Gavin Schwan, Ryan Sumner, Ashley Augustine

Churches in Our Mission Area: St. Paul's, Bellevue; St. Paul's, Fremont; Christ Church, Huron; Redeemer, Lorain; St. Paul's, Norwalk; St. Thomas, Port Clinton; St. Paul's, Put-in-Bay; Grace, Sandusky; Old Trinity, Tiffin; Christ Church, Oberlin

Health Concerns: Kathy Inderrieden (Karen Blair's daughter), Pauline McKenna (Karen Blair's daughter), Paul Tanner (partner of Jolene Adkins), Scott Holcomb, Shelly Perkins, John Palermo, Judie Housel, Karen Wells, Bob Sharkody, Ben Schuster, Russ Panchak, Karen Blair, Amy Kellogg, Sally Miyara, Badger King, Mya Wissinger, Dakota Maloney (Daughter of Claire Skladan & Jeff Maloney), Roja Schuster Little, Joe Dembek, Rob Skladan; Diana, Mike and Maya (Bill Hebble's co-worker's family as infant daughter undergoes heart surgery), Deb Schwan, Ryan Palermo-Varner, Ryan (friend of June Hardy Dorsey), Sarah Schuster

At Home: Virginia Larson, Sally Ruth, Barbara Tobin, Patricia Pozywak, Ruth Smith, Linda Wilbert, Judith Beebe

Those Who Have Died: Donna Quisenberry, DeShawn Moore, Bob Hardy, Mavis Hardy, Taffy Valassis, Jon Quisenberry, Rev. Francis "Francie" Hill (formerly Rev. Francis "Francie" McNutt, Rector of St. Andrew's from 1996-2007), Cindy McClymonds, Robert Powell, Kathy Plank, Emma Fischer, Chuck Farlow (Margo Reich's Brother-in-Law), Shirley Zeh (Cousin of Badger King)

Other Concerns: Dale Ann, Randy Lehman, Fred McClymonds, Scott McClymonds, Tim McClymonds, Nancy Farlow and Family, the Family of Emma Fischer, the Family of Shirley Zeh, Eliot Prior, Maddie Smith, Scott Pennington, Jessica and Corey (friends of June Hardy Dorsey)